

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-13, 19-22 have been canceled.

Claim 17 has been amended as follows:

17. (Amended) The use of a fastening apparatus according to claim ~~1~~ 14 for a superconductive electric machine.

Claims 23-35 have been added.

REMARKS

With regard to the requirement for restriction which is the only point raised in the Official Action, Applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute Group II, covering claims 14-18 and 23 to 35, and reserves the right to file a divisional application or to take such other appropriate measures as deemed necessary to protect the invention of Groups I and III.

Applicant has added claims 23 to 35, which are made dependent on claim 14 and set forth subject matter recited in original claims 1 through 13. Claim 17 has been amended to make it dependent on claim 14. Applicant has canceled non-elected claims 1-13 and 19-22. A total of 18 claims are now on file. Enclosed is also a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The enclosed page is captioned "**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**".

Since applicant has fully and completely responded to the Official Action and has made the required election, this application is now in order for early action on the merits of claims 14-18 and 23-35.

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